

**RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES SYNOPSIS**

**December 9, 2020 – Virtual Meeting**

Video web meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85875723659>

**Meeting ID: 858 7572 3659**

**Phone #: 312-626-6799, Conference Code: 85875723659#**

**Call to Order**

8:36 a.m.

**Present**

Commissioners: Jennifer Adair, Derrick Clay, Dave Paul, Karla Rothan, Bettye Stull, and Terrie TerMeer

Staff: Attendance not taken

Guest(s): Attendance not taken

**Previous Board Meeting Minutes**

On a motion made by Commissioner Paul and seconded by Commissioner Paul the November meeting minutes were unanimously accepted.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

**A. Remarks from the Office of ProTem Elizabeth Brown**

- Operating Budget & Capital Budget Update
- Public Safety Meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>
- Council Meeting Updates

**A. Remarks from Kimber Perfect, Deputy Chief of Staff**

- Pre-K Center ground breaking ceremony
- COVID and Vaccine Campaign safety ads
- Mask Equals Kindness update
- Thank you to the Commission and the Recreation and Parks Department for the work and support they've done during this pandemic

**ADMINISTRATION AGENDA**

**1. Ord #2676-2020 (COAAA – FY2021 Title III Provider Contracts)**

**Title:** To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contracts with 28 community agencies to provide social and nutrition services to older adults in Central

Ohio during 2021; to authorize the expenditure of \$6,310,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$6,310,000.00)

**2. Ord #2855-2020 (VCT Flooring Improvement Project 2020)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Tyeveco, Inc. for the VCT Flooring Improvements Project, to authorize the transfer of \$65,000.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to authorize the amendment of the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget; to authorize the expenditure of \$65,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$65,000.00)

**3. Ord #2856-2020 (Hoover Reservoir Amenities - Preliminary Engineering)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with CESO Inc. to provide preliminary engineering services for the Hoover Reservoir Amenities project; to authorize an expenditure of \$45,980.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$45,980.00)

**4. Ord #2857-2020 (Goodale Park UIRF 2020 Improvements Construction)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Tyeveco for the Goodale Park 2020 UIRF Improvements; to authorize an expenditure of \$437,500.00 from the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Fund (UIRF); to authorize an expenditure of \$3,500.00 from the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Fund (UIRF) for interdepartmental inspections and fees; and to declare an emergency. (\$441,000.00)

**5. Ord #2858-2020 (Glenwood Park Improvements 2020 - Engineering)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract Resource International, Inc. to provide field surveys and design services for the Glenwood Park Improvements; to authorize an expenditure of \$23,446.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$23,446.00)

**6. Ord #2859-2020 (CMHA Real Estate Transactions 2020)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to work with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) to finalize property rights and ownership for four (4) different locations for which Recreation and Parks and Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) has standing partnerships in working together and for the community.

**7. Ord #2860-2020 (Parks/Forestry/Golf Equipment 2021)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into various contracts for the purchase of maintenance equipment for the Recreation and Parks Department; to authorize the expenditure of \$829,190.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to establish an Auditor's certificates in the amount of \$829,190.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$829,190.00)

**8. Ord #2861-2020 (Boat Club Lease Addendum 2020)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks, with the approval of the Director of Finance and Management and the Director of the Department of Public Utilities to sign an

amendment to lease agreements with the Columbus Aqua Ski Club, East Shore Yacht Club, Scioto Boat Club, Buckeye Boat Club, Leather Lips Yacht Club, Hoover Sailing Club, Columbus Sailing Club, the Quarry Homeowner's Association, Hoovergate Homeowner's Association, Jewish Community Center, Hilliard Rowing Association, Dublin Crew, Upper Arlington Crew, Westerville Rowing, and the Ohio State Crew (Hereinafter "Boat Clubs").

**9. Ord #2862-2020 (Phase I 2020 Aquatic Capital Improvement Program)**

**Title:** To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Legat Architects, to provide capital planning and community engagement services for the Phase I – 2020 Aquatics Capital Improvement Plan; to authorize an expenditure of \$306,560.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$306,560.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Stull the Commission unanimously approved the Administration Agenda.

**PARKS OPERATIONS & MANAGEMENT AGENDA**

**10. Ord #2854-2020 (Parks Maintenance Equipment - Dump Trucks and Mowers)**

**Title:** To authorize the expenditure of \$189,480.00 for the purchase of the upfit of two (2) cab and chassis / One 4 x 2 F450 for Parks Maintenance Section and one 4 x 4 F450 for Sports Section of the Recreation and Parks Department (\$58,580.00). The completed vehicles will be two (2) dump trucks. This ordinance is also for the purchase of eleven (11) each propane mowers for Parks Maintenance Section (\$130,900.00).

On a motion made by Commissioner Stull and seconded by Commissioner Adair the Commission unanimously approved the Parks Maintenance & Management Agenda.

**CRP Foundation Update**

- Ohio Beverage Association Grant received
- Marketing Committee update; residents and CRP Foundation Board members are part of this committee
  - Update on branding

**Division Updates**

- COAAA, Executive Director Cindy Farson
  - Holiday Gift Drive update
  - Mask distribution for seniors
  - State funding; legislators are assisting
  - COAAA Budget and CARES Funding for staff
  - Alzheimer's special on television
  - Grant received from Council
- Community Relations, Sophia Fifner
  - Donations received for the Adopt a Center Program

- Internal and external communications
- Parks Maintenance & Operations, Assistant Director Troy Euton
  - Staff is working with minimal numbers to decrease risk during pandemic
  - Staffing update
- Recreation & Program Services, Assistant Director Bernita Reese
  - Programming has been cut back for safety during the pandemic
  - Participant numbers have decreased; virtual programming taking place
  - Canoe and kayaks received for Spring 2021
  - Aquatics certification are in process
- Youth & Family Development, Assistant Director Eric Brandon
  - Update on APPS *We Care Tour*
  - Produce Give Away update
  - Working with Elford on a food drive in the Linden Community (food boxes and gift cards)

### **Director's Comments**

- CARES Funding
- Staff safety and protocols update
- Urban Forestry Master Plan, second draft will be sent
- CMHA properties
- MAPFRE (Columbus Sports Park) operating agreement
- Nature Preserve Code is being updated and will be presented soon
- Linden Community Center; opening in February
- Thank you to Mayor's Office and Commission for their support

### **Commission Comments**

- Commission gave kudos to Interim Director Rakosky for his leadership

### **Adjournment**

9:49a - On a motion made by Commissioner Stull and seconded by Commissioner Adair the Commission unanimously adjourned the December Commission Meeting.